WHEREAS, Patients with varying degrees of mental illness are being integrated into the respective regional buildings at Spring Grove Hospital Center; and

WHEREAS, The speedy recovery of those <u>acutely</u> mentally ill patients in regional buildings might be better promoted by a reorganization of study of the type of acute admissions policy at that facility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Governor Legislative Policy Committee is requested to establish a commission to study the reorganization type of regional acute admissions policy at Spring Grove Hospital Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the commission shall be composed of nine members, two of whom shall be members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, two of whom shall be members of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House, two representatives of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, one representative of the Maryland Association for Mental Health, one representative from the Citizens Advisory Board for Spring Grove Hospital Center, and one consumer member selected from the general public, all of whom are appointed by the Governor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the commission be appointed no later than July 31, 1979; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department of Legislative Reference provide staff and secretarial assistance for the commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the commission shall examine regional acute admission policies at Spring Grove Hospital Center and consider the reorganization of regional acute admission policies at that facility; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the commission shall make a report to the Governor and the General Assembly Legislative Policy Committee no later than December 31, 1979; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin, Speaker of the House of Delegates; the Honorable James Clark, Jr., President of the Senate; Charles R. Buck, Jr., Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, 201 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201; and John Lobe, Chairman, Citizens Advisory Board for Spring Grove Hospital Center, Catonsville, Maryland 21228.

Signed May 1, 1979.